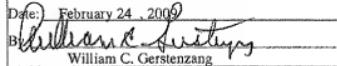


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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated January 6th, 2009, please consider the following remarks:

Amendments to the Claims have not been done.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If entry and consideration of the amendments above requires an extension of time, Applicants respectfully request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee(s) due in this connection to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

ADDITIONAL FEE

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